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'Chairity' gala raises \$5,000

BY BIANCHI MCGILL

One person's trash is another person's treasure, especially when it comes to old chairs. Students at Conestoga are into one decorating project, know they will. They collected old chairs and refinished them off at their fourth annual 'Chairity' gala on March 10 raising \$5,000 for the program. The event was held at the Waterloo Region Museum and was sold out.

The gala showed chairs acquired by students, faculty and local dropouts.

Each year proceeds go to a charity of the students choice that year it was Habitat for Humanity Waterloo Region.

Leslie Roberts, the chair was decorating program coordinator said that organization is getting an added boost because it has been selected to be the recipient for the next three years as well.

"The funds are going to be toward the purchase of home donor projects for the families who are getting the home donated and to rather than our funds buying supplies and furniture doors and tops as a program we kind of thought having the funds go towards making the home a home would really resonate with our program."

Habitat for Humanity Waterloo Region believes that affordable safe housing



PHOTO BY BIANCHI MCGILL

includes decorating projects in order to live the way well decorated spaces with students Paige Vanderbyl (from left), Tracy Lee, Natalie Warden and Taylor Roberts, are chairpersons for the fourth annual Chairity-gala on March 10. For more photos see Page 6.

is a basic human right. They work toward a world where every person has access to adequate housing. Celebrating their 15th anniversary this month the organization could not do what it does without the partnerships within the community.

As Conestoga the Chairity Gala is incorporated into the program students get to find out how much their students off their chairs at the end.

Conestoga Mayor a second year volunteer decorating student and chair demonstrate that it is the opportunity to construct the chairs and work

with her peers as a team that is the biggest take away from the project.

Even though the chairs are a recycled material, the students don't look at it as a given point of view. It is about knowing their hand work is going toward something greater for someone

else.

"I think it's the sense of doing something good for the community and Habitat for Humanity, a second-year volunteer decorating student and chair demonstrate. It's more knowing where the money is going and who it's going back to."

Voting begins today in CSI director election

BY CARRIE PROCTOR

It's that time of year again when student clubs have headed in their Conestoga Students Inc. (CSI) board packages and are preparing themselves for the board of director elections that run from March 20 to April 9. It is an exciting time as students have the opportunity to interact with the candidates and vote for the ones they think will best represent them.

Candidates were required to hand in their packages

which consisted of 100 yes/no forms showing student support and a transcript stating that the applicant had at least a 74 per cent program average by March 13. Last year CSI broke a record by having 16 students run for the seven director positions as well as having one of its highest voter turnout in the past years with a record 980 students.

This year a new record was set. Between students returned their packages out of the 90 who posted are up.

"I am really excited for this

year election and Alfred Marzetta CSI presiding director officer. They show that students are well aware about the elections and that there is an excitement to participate and voice student concerns."

However despite the excitement in entering into the last couple of years it is still a challenge that CSI faces every year.

"It's a mix of students not coming out being aware and not having the time," said Jeff Scherer, CSI president. Having said that, this year CSI will be changing the

voting process a little bit. In addition to online voting they are also going to offer ballot voting to cry and eliminate some of the concerns raised last year. In 2010 some students did not receive CSI materials about voting because they didn't check their Conestoga email account while others didn't arrive not receiving CSI emails.

"What we are looking at is having an advance poll day and a polling day during voting week. Between

to ensure student awareness. CSI's current board of directors are up in a table in the F wing to arrange students and talk about the board of director elections as well as board of student spaces. An election table has also been placed in the CSI square where students can go to further their own awareness about the elections.

"Our communication team is doing a wonderful job of letting students know about the elections through our website and also via social media. Thanks to all."

Workshop revives ancient art form



POWDER MILK BENTON

Concentrated students spend March 14 making their own traditional First Nations clay items during a workshop held by Aboriginal Education.

BY MICHAEL HENNING

Moccasins were the traditional footwear of the First Nations and on March 14 students at Osoyoos College were able to make their own pair.

Christine LeFebvre, also known as Kwamtyakwanta, has First Nations music teacher moccasins workshops at multiple universities, high schools and elementary schools as well as courses in Native culture. She has done two workshops at Osoyoos College to date, including the workshop she did on March 14 and March 21.

"In the moccasin-making workshop and in the high schools I teach experiential knowledge. I teach cultural things steeped in the teachings and usually I use humor to express the desire to understand the difference between nations. I teach them the difference between the different nations because they have the preconceived notion that we are all the same," LeFebvre said.

Moccasins have been around for centuries. They're made with soft leather that has been

stirred and soaked to soften and interpreted. They are then sewn together by hand and decorated with line work.

But there were more to these moccasin workshops for the students who participated. One, just one thing a pair of shoes for themselves. It's also about creating community, remembering Native culture and sharing themselves.

"I think it's important because moccasin making is a dying art, but a lot of people started making moccasins in the last decade. It was this on the surface of people but for a long time nobody made moccasins or remembered how. Every opportunity I have to share about our culture or to pass that knowledge on I do that so that it always stays alive," LeFebvre said.

There were seven students who sat around a large table covered in pink paper, leather and beads. Traditional Native music played in the background mixed with chatter and laughter. Not all of the students had a Native background but chose to participate for the experience.

"What were they in? Is it all about being First Nations? It's about being a human being, learning from one another and sharing. And it teaches you about imperfection. What have we learned about imperfection?" LeFebvre asked the students.

It was a successful. History teacher, a second-year office administrative assistant and a first-year student.

LeFebvre said, "We learn as making moccasins about patience even when we think we don't have any. These people have been sitting here for over four hours and have definitely been working hard. They have been laughing and sharing with one another. It's great as people learn it."

Aboriginal Services hosts a variety of workshops and events throughout the year including weekly workshops, elder visits, annual pow-wows and monthly full moon ceremonies. For more information students can stop by the Aboriginal Services office located in the 1A-100 or check out their page on the Osoyoos College website.

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Charity raises \$5,000 for Habitat for Humanity

Faculty and students at Coe College's interior decorating program held their fourth annual Charity Gala March 18 at the Waterloo Region Museum. They raised \$5,000 for Habitat for Humanity Waterloo Region, their charity of choice this year. Above, second-year interior decorating students Brenna Goocoin (from left), Steph Clemmer, Nicole Ruthnick, Cassandra Phaga and Corina Feldsiegel pose with some of the chairs before the event.

Left: "The Kanya" chair was created by second-year students Maya Mikosko, Young Ho and Courtney Poretsky. Bottom left: "The Scottish Nipper" was created by local designer Pamela D'Atena.

Right: "Pretty Yoda" was created by second-year students Brittany Patvin (bottom photo, left to right), Maygan Jamieson and Jessica Kemper.

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NEW TRAINING FACILITY OFFERS MANY OPTIONS FOR GETTING FIT



PHOTO BY GUY A. SORRELL

Thomas Gray (left) and Cliff Van Dusen sit, co-owners of Real Fit Grand Training Facility, at end of line of gym equipment. Real Fit Grand is now Grand Centre at Waterloo that opened on Feb. 5. For video story, go to www.spekeonline.com

JAZZ MUSIC IS ALIVE AND WELL



PHOTO BY GUY A. SORRELL

Maracasist Mark Jurell practices his 12th year in his group, the Canadiana Quartet. The band performed at the Jazz Room on March 14. For video story, go to www.spekeonline.com



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Tuition payment has changed for September!

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HOROSCOPE Week of March 27, 2012



Aries
March 21 - April 19



Libra
September 23 - October 23

You have been short-tempered so of late but don't worry, you will be given the chance to relax very soon.

Don't decide something? Don't worry, put your thoughts into a list and put it away. Maybe that will help you pick your next course of action.



Taurus
April 20 - May 20



Scorpio
October 23 - November 21

You have been a part of a large group project and you have been passionate about it. Take a step back and you will see what you were looking for.

You have been planning about something. Don't work. Don't forget about your to do list. Scorpio.



Gemini
May 21 - June 21



Sagittarius
November 21 - December 21

You have a difficult week for you and you have been fighting back full field. You will soon see results.

You have been experiencing so many adventures that you have been forgetting your own purpose. Clear your mind from the issues and get back to work.



Cancer
June 21 - July 21



Capricorn
December 21 - January 19

Your last assignment was graded, but you weren't too happy with the result. Don't take it personally, look at it again with an open mind.

You have been so worried about things last week. Take a deep breath and let someone else lead for a while.



Leo
July 21 - August 22



Aquarius
January 20 - February 18

You have been open to people's supportive lately and it's been giving you a lot of mood. Don't overlook it.

You have been reflecting upon something you feel strongly about. Don't lose faith in what you truly believe.



Virgo
August 23 - September 22



Pisces
February 19 - March 20

You have been very helpful toward the people who have needed you most. Don't forget your own needs as well.

You're being very upset. Stop it. Take charge, come up with ideas and go for it.



Antology is a language that you understand this language, the sky speaks to you.

On Cliff



Cliff's computer has caused him for the last time.

Useless Facts

Most American car horns look like the key of F.

A page of text is 30 minutes.

Russia has a larger surface area than Pluto.

Cesar said his nothing to do with any of the Cæsars. It was first recorded in a list in Tiquia library in the 1920s.

Women take nearly twice as much as men.

For every human on Earth there are 1.2 million ants.

Sudoku Puzzle

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Fill in the grid with digits in such a manner that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9 without repeating any.

Word Search

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